

REMARKS

Claim 3 has been canceled. Thus, Claims 1-2 and 4-7 are currently pending in the present application, all of which have been amended.

The recitations of '(hereafter, referred to as a "first system status")' and '(hereafter, referred to as a "second system status")' have been deleted from Claim 1. The recitations of "yes" and "no" have been deleted from Claim 4. Thus, the claim objections are believed to be overcome.

Double Patenting Rejection

Claims 1-7 were provisionally rejected under the judicially created doctrine of obviousness-type double patenting as being unpatentable over Claims 1-7 of copending application number 10/736,016.

Per a telephonic conversation with the Examiner, a new terminal disclaimer for overcoming the non-statutory double patenting rejection is enclosed. Thus, the double patenting rejection is believed to be overcome.

Rejection under 35 U.S.C. § 102

Claims 1-2 and 6-7 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 102(e) as being anticipated by *Eaves* (US 6,351,782). Applicants respectfully traverse such rejection insofar as it might apply to the claims as amended herein.

Applicants note with appreciation the Examiner's indication that Claims 3-5 would be allowable if they were rewritten in independent form to include all of the limitations of the base claim and any intervening claims. Because the contents of Claim 3 have been incorporated within Claim 1, the § 102 rejection is believed to be overcome.

CONCLUSION

Claims 1-2 and 4-7 are currently pending in the present application. For the reasons stated above, Applicants believe that independent Claim 1 along with its dependent claims are in condition for allowance. The remaining prior art cited by the Examiner but not relied upon has been reviewed and is not believed to show or suggest the claimed invention.

No fee or extension of time is believed to be necessary; however, in the event that any addition fee or extension of time is required for the prosecution of the present application, please charge it against Lenovo Deposit Account No. **50-3533**.

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